

SELDÉN SAILJUICE WINTER SERIES 2024/25

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Every winter, UK dinghy sailors brave the elements to compete in handicap sailing events against their fellow sailors and also against the worst of the British weather.

So SailJuice.com and SailRacer.co.uk have organised a series consisting of eight winter handicap events. The competitor with the lowest aggregate score from their **four** best events will be crowned the winner of the Seldén SailJuice Winter Series 2024/25.

NOTICE OF SERIES

RestartSailing (RYA Affiliated), is the Organising Authority for the Series.

1. The Rules

- a. The Series will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, the RYA prescriptions and the rules of the individual competitor's Class Association.
- b. If any conflict arises between the Seldén SailJuice Winter Series 202/24 Notice of Series and the Notice of Race of an individual regatta, the Notice of Race of the individual regatta shall prevail.
- c. Disclaimer of Liability: Competitors participate in the regattas comprising the series entirely at their own risk. The Organising Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, during, or after any of the regattas.

2. The Events

The following regattas constitute the Seldén SailJuice Winter Series 2024/25:

23/24 Nov 2024	Draycote Dash
7/8 Dec 2024	Datchet Flyer
14 Dec 2024	Polar Chase
27 Dec 2024	Yorkshire Dales Brass Monkey
29 Dec 2024	Grafham GP
11 Jan 2025	Bloody Mary
18 Jan 2025	KGSC Gallop
1/2 Feb 2025	Tiger Trophy
15 Feb 2025	Oxford Blue

Prizegiving at RYA Dinghy Show, Farnborough
26 Feb 2025 Prize Giving

3. Eligibility & Entry

a. To enter the Series, competitors must enter at least one event via the official Series website here: www.SailjuiceSeries.com. This will list you as a participant in the Series, and makes you eligible for prizes related to the Series.

- b. It is the competitor's responsibility to ensure that they have entered and paid for each of the Series events in which they intend to participate. Please note that some events are limited to a maximum number of entries, so early entry is advisable. Failure to secure entry in an event is no grounds for redress in this series.
- c. Entry to the Series is free of charge.
- d. Entries must comprise the same helm and boat throughout the Series. A different combination of helm and boat will be scored as a separate entry. However, for double-handed and multi-crewed boats, it is permitted for a helm to race with different crews throughout the Series.
- e. The criteria for entry to each event can and often do vary. It is the competitor's responsibility to ascertain whether the kind of boat in which he/she intends to compete is eligible for all the events in the Series they enter.
- f. If an event has to be postponed to a later date, due to poor weather conditions or low water levels for example, it shall still be counted as part of the Series provided the event has been re-run by the end of Sunday, 23 February 2025.
- g. A change of sail number during the Series will incur a £5 administration fee for a competitor to receive a single series score.
- h. Request for refunds of an entry fee will be considered on an individual basis. If the refund is made, a minimum £5 administration fee will be charged.
- i. If an event is cancelled by the event Organising Authority a refund less any costs incurred will be issued

4. Scoring

- a. Scoring is based on a 'low points' scoring system (1 point for finishing 1st, 15 points for finishing 15th etc), combined with other criteria explained below.
- b. Some events divide participants into different fleets (eg. Grafham Grand Prix), while others race all participants together as a single fleet (eg. Bloody Mary). In order to be able to score different types of event with some measure of consistency, a formula will be applied according to Paragraph 4c below.
- c. A time on distance calculation will be implemented across each fleet per race, to produce a combined set of results.

- d. The number of competitors for each fleet will be as recorded by the host club for each event, representing the number who registered.
- e. Where a fleet races around exactly the same course as a larger fleet, but is scored separately by an event, wherever possible the smaller fleet's results will be amalgamated into the larger fleet's results for the purpose of scoring the Series. For example, if the Foilers are racing around the same course as the Fast Handicap fleet, the Foiler results will be merged with the Fast Handicap. This applies where it's feasible for the club to provide consolidated results for separate fleets.
- f. Where it is evident that they attempted to start at least one race during the event they will be scored as a competitor for the Series, with points based on last place from that particular event, plus any event weighting (4C).

For those who entered the event but made no attempt to go afloat or for those other Series competitors who didn't enter that event, they will be given a score equal to the number of boats entered in the Series +1 for that event.

- g. Competitors count their **four** best event scores to determine their final overall Series score.

- h. If any of the events is cancelled due to bad weather or other unforeseen circumstances, and if the event is not re-arranged to be run before the end of Sunday, 19 February 2024, a competitor's score shall still be based on their best four scores from the remaining events.

If any of the events are cancelled on the day of the event (ie no racing possible) due to bad weather or other unforeseen circumstances and if that event is not re-arranged to be run before the end of Sunday, 19 February 2025, a competitor who has registered (as per event NOR) on-site at the host club, their score for that event shall still be based on the number of boats registering. For example, if an event is cancelled on the day, when 50 boats registered on-site at the club as per the event's NOR, all boats would score 50 points for that event, for the Series, plus any event weighting (4C).

- i. Tie breaks will be determined as per Appendix A of ISAF's Racing Rules of Sailing.

5. Winter Multihull Series

- a. Because not all clubs and events in the Series have the space to accept multihull entries, there will be a separate Winter Cat Series within the Seldén SailJuice Winter Series. This will comprise the following events:

Fernhurst Books Draycote Dash, Draycote Water Sailing Club

Datchet Flyer, Datchet Water Sailing Club

Grafham Grand Prix, Grafham Water Sailing Club

John Merricks Tiger Trophy, Rutland Sailing Club

b. Competitors' count their **two** best event scores to determine their final overall Multihull Series score.

c. Multihulls will be scored separately from the overall Series for the purposes of scoring the Multihull Series. However, a multihull's scores will also be counted in the overall Seldén SailJuice Winter Series, as per section 4 of the Notice of Series.

d. While multihull results will be extrapolated from the overall results, the principles of section 4c will still apply, ie. Scoring of each fleet will be weighted against the fleet that has the most number of competitors across the whole Multihull Series.

6. Slow Boats

a. In most events the slowest boat is set to Topper, the following allow slower boats such as Mirrors

Polar Chase

Brass Monkey

King George Gallop

There will be a separate Winter Slow Series within the Seldén SailJuice Winter Series based on the above events for eligible boats with a Great Lakes Handicap greater than Topper, and eligible for individual events. These boats/competitors will also gain overall rankings across all eligible categories.

b. Competitors' count their **two** best event scores to determine their final overall Slow Series score.

7. Prizes

Winners of the Seldén SailJuice Winter Series will be presented at the 2025 RYA Dinghy Show in Farnborough. Prizes will be awarded to the top three in the Overall Series. Spot prizes will be awarded randomly to other competitors who participated in the Series.

Special Category Prizes: A number of specific criteria awards will be made, subject to a minimum of ten competitors meeting the criteria and at the discretion of the organisers.

Top Club - based on the best three results for each club across every race.

RestartSailing Top Class - based on the best three results for each class across every race.

Forces Challenge, members of one of the following: ASA, RAFSA, RNSA. Results are to be calculated on both an organisational and individual basis, as per other categories (eg Top Club and GBSC)

Schools Challenge, for those in primary and secondary education. Results are to be calculated on both an organisational and individual basis, as per other categories (eg Top Club and GBSC)

Family Rankings - based on the best two combined results from four events

Family Team to be formed from members sailing the same boat or in separate boats, following combinations :

Parents, Children, Siblings, Cousins, Aunts/uncles etc

Speed Challenge - highest sustained speed recorded by SailRacer GPS trackers at each event and based on combined speeds from four events, both adjusted and unadjusted.

Great British Sailing Challenge (GBSC)

Based on the extracted results for each ranking category for each SailRacer tracked race in the Seldén SailJuice Winter Series 2024/25, with a discard every third race

GBSC Ranking Categories

Junior (16 and under)

Youth (18 and under)

18-30

31-60

Masters (over 60)

*Age categories based on 31/12/25

Fast Asymmetric

Fast Symmetric

Slow Asymmetric

Slow Symmetric

*Slow - great lakes \geq 1000

GBSC Boat Age/Equipment handicaps and rankings

Competitors can request an enhanced handicap to reflect the age, construction and design of their boat.

**The Organising Authority shall have the final say over the use of a non-Great Lakes handicap, based on the evidence provided.*

A GBSC ranking will be calculated on these 3 events (maximum possible 10 races), using the same methodology as above

Disputes

In the event of a dispute over the allocation of prizes, the decision of the Organising Authority shall be final.

7. Rights to use names and likeness

Competitors automatically grant to the Series Organisers without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television of or relating to the Series.

8. Enter!

Enter here: www.SailjuiceSeries.com. Tell your friends, wrap up warm, and go racing!